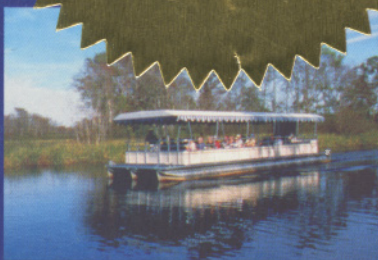


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ABBEVILLE COUNTY

Bowie Arts Center

Bonner Street, Due West, SC 29639

(864) 379-8867

Hours: Monday-Thursday 1:00-4:30 p.m.; Saturday 2:00-4:00 p.m.; Closed Friday and Sunday

Free admission

Permanent collections include furnishings, decorative arts, mechanical musical instruments, and Native American photographs by E.S. Curtis. Traveling exhibits of two and three dimensional works are periodically featured.

Accessible

AIKEN COUNTY

Aiken Thoroughbred Racing Hall of Fame

Whiskey Road & Dupree Place, Aiken, SC 29801

(803) 642-7630 (c/o City of Aiken Department of Parks & Recreation)

Hours: 2:00-5:00 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday

Free admission

Paintings, photographs, jockey silks, trophies and other memorabilia related to Aiken-trained national champions are included in the exhibit of this horse racing museum. Located in a 24-acre park owned by the City of Aiken, the museum is housed in a renovated stable. Also on the grounds are magnificent gardens, a historic residence used for meetings, an open-air theater, a carriage museum and a small restaurant.

Accessible on first floor only

ANDERSON COUNTY

Ashtabula Plantation House

2725 Old Greenville Highway Central, SC 29630

(864) 646-3782

Hours: April through October; Sunday 2:00-6:00 p.m.

Admission: adults \$5.00; children \$2.00; \$15.00 charge for special tours

Ashtabula, built circa 1825, is an eight room house with a four-room brick annex. The house is furnished with antiques from the 1830s through the 1860s and is situated on a ten-acre park.

Not accessible

ANDERSON COUNTY

Pendleton District Agricultural Museum

Located off U.S. 76, Pendleton, SC 29670

(864) 646-3782

Hours: by appointment only

Free admission

The museum concentrates on pre-1925 farm equipment and tools, plus local history from three counties (Anderson, Oconee and Pickens) of upstate South Carolina, and includes upstate history displays.

Accessible

Woodburn Plantation House

130 History Lane, Pendleton, SC 29670

(864) 646-3782 or (864) 646-3655

Hours: April through October, Sunday 2:00-6:00 p.m.

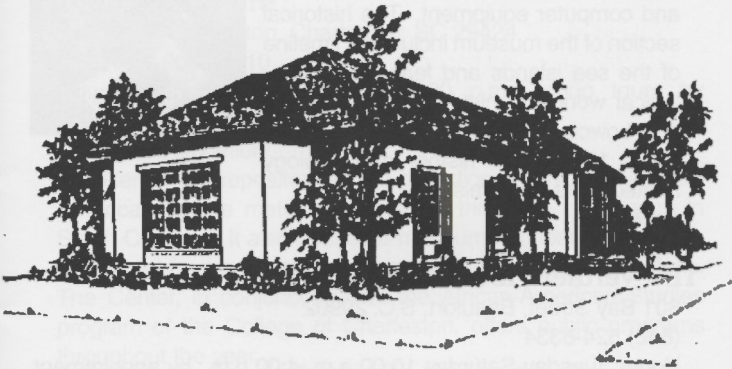
Special Tours by appointment

Admission: Adults \$5.00; Children \$2.00; \$15.00 Charge for Special Tour

Woodburn, circa 1830, was built as a summer home by Charles Cotesworth Pinckney. The house is furnished with period antiques. A log cabin and carriage house are included on the six-acre site.

Not Accessible

BARNWELL COUNTY



Barnwell County Museum

Corner Hagood and Marlboro Avenues, Barnwell SC, 29812

(803) 259-1916

Hours: 3:30-5:30 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday; 3:00-5:30 p.m. Sunday

Free admission

The Museum's exhibits tell the story of Barnwell County from the Indians to the Gulf War. Various genealogical books are available, as well as post cards portraying historic Barnwell, photographs showing present-day Barnwell, local pottery, and paintings by various South Carolina artists. During the year, the Museum has vocal and instrumental artists, traveling art exhibits, drama presentations, and works by local artists.

Accessible

BEAUFORT COUNTY

Beaufort Museum

713 Craven St., Beaufort, SC 29902

(843) 525-7077

Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Admission: adults \$2.00; students \$.50

The Museum presents the history of Beaufort and Beaufort County. Permanent and changing exhibitions interpret the man-made history of the city and county. Programs augment exhibitions and include a spring speakers series, summer in the courtyard, second Saturdays, and an audio/visual production detailing Beaufort's history.

Not accessible

The Coastal Discovery Museum

100 William Hilton Parkway, Hilton Head Island, SC 29925

(843) 689-6767

Hours: Daily 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Admission: \$2.00

The museum offers on-site permanent exhibits relating to the ecology and history of the region. The main theme is biodiversity, both globally and locally, which includes live animals, preserved animals, fresh and salt water tanks and scientific and computer equipment. The historical section of the museum includes a timeline of the sea islands and features archeological work and historical artifacts from the Lowcountry. Off-site, the museum offers 15 different history and ecology related tours and cruises.

Accessible



The Verdier House Museum

801 Bay Street, Beaufort, S.C. 29902

(843) 524-6334

Hours: Tuesday-Saturday 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.; by appointment for special tours

Admission: \$4.00 adults; \$2.00 under 12

The Verdier House (circa 1800) contains exquisite Federal-era woodwork, and features fine antiques dating from 1790 to 1825. The house was constructed for John Mark Verdier, a prosperous merchant, and is the only antebellum house in Beaufort regularly opened to the public.

Accessible to hearing impaired only



CALHOUN COUNTY

Calhoun County Museum & Cultural Center

303 Butler Street, St. Matthews, SC 29135

(803) 874-3964

Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.; research by appointment only

Free admission

The Museum and Cultural Center exists to promote an appreciation for local history and the arts. It houses exhibits which interpret the history of the Calhoun County area with special focus on agriculture, period dress, local military figures and art of local interest. In addition, the museum archives house information pertaining to genealogy and local history. Special museum sponsored programs in area schools expose children to art, dance, music and drama as well as providing a hands-on dimension to classroom learning. Archival research and special programs can be conducted by appointment.

Accessible



CHARLESTON COUNTY

Avery Research Center for African American History & Culture

College of Charleston, Charleston, SC 29424

(843) 727-2009/2010

Hours: Monday-Saturday 12:00-5:00 p.m.; group tours by appointment

Admission: Donation

The Center is a repository for the collection of African & African-American source materials related to the black experience in South Carolina. It also houses a museum that features exhibits developed by the Center's staff, as well as traveling exhibitions. The Center, in conjunction with the African-American Studies program of the College of Charleston, offers public programs throughout the year.

Accessible

John Rivers Communications Museum

58 George Street, Charleston, SC 29424

(843) 953-5810

Hours: 12:00-4:00 p.m. Monday-Friday;
plus special evening events

Free admission

The Museum offers a unique opportunity to enjoy the history of broadcasting and communications. Exhibition rooms depict past eras of television, radio, the phonograph and cinematography.

Not accessible



Drayton Hall

3380 Ashley River Road, Charleston, SC 29414

(843) 766-0188

Hours: 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. daily March-October; 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. daily November-February

Admission: \$8.00 adults; \$6.00 students 12-18; \$4.00 ages 6-11, 5 and under free

A National Trust Historic Site, Drayton Hall (circa 1738) offers an exceptional guided tour of one of the finest examples of Georgian architecture in America, as well as self-guided walks of the marsh and garden. The house is the only authentic plantation house open to the public in the Charleston region that survived both the Revolutionary and Civil Wars. The historic house stands majestically on the 125-acre site and is filled, not with furniture, but with exceptionally rich eighteenth century handcrafted detail and ornamentation. It is a National Historic Landmark.

Accessible

Fort Sumter National Monument

Charleston Harbor, Charleston (accessible only by tour boat)

Fort Moultrie/Charles Pinckney National Historic Site

1214 Middle Street, Sullivan's Island, SC 29482

(843) 883-3123

Hours: 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. daily in Summer; 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. daily in Fall; 2:00-4:00 p.m. daily in Winter

Admission: \$5.50 plus \$10.50 fee for boat to reach fort; children under 6 free

The museum exhibits feature material chronicling the Civil War in Charleston. It includes a diorama of the *First Shot* of the Civil War, a model of Fort Sumter in 1861, and the United States flag which flew over the fort on April 12, 1861. Accessible by boat only. Fort Sumter National Monument also administers Fort Moultrie and the Charles Pinckney National Historic Site. Located on Sullivan's Island, Fort Moultrie preserves the history of the United States seacoast defense from 1776 to 1947. The Charles Pinckney National Historic Site commemorates founding father Charles Pinckney, one of the framers of the United States Constitution.

Accessible



Gibbes Museum of Art

135 Meeting Street, Charleston, SC 29401

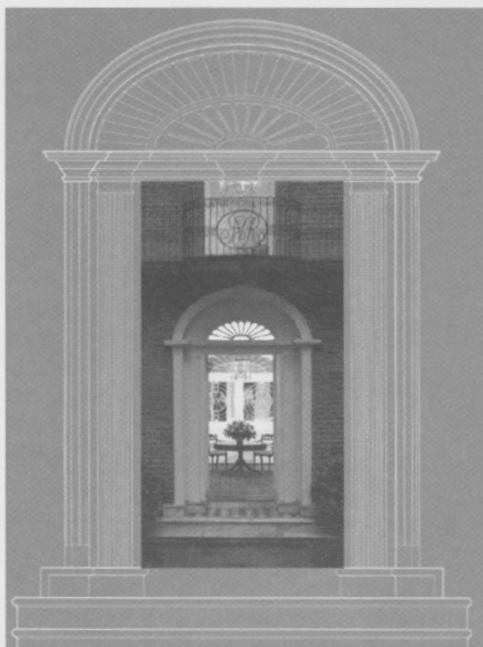
(843) 722-2706

Hours: 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday; 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. Sunday

Admission: \$5:00 adults; \$4:00 students/military/senior citizens, \$3:00 children

The museum presents dozens of exhibits from public and private collections as well as special exhibits by artists of regional, national or international stature in painting, sculpture and other media. Lectures, films, videos, gallery talks, and symposia highlight areas of the collection, special exhibitions and other topics related to the arts.

Accessible



Historic Charleston Foundation

40 East Bay Street, Charleston, SC 29401

(843) 723-1623

Hours: Monday-Saturday 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.; Sunday 2:00-5:00 p.m.

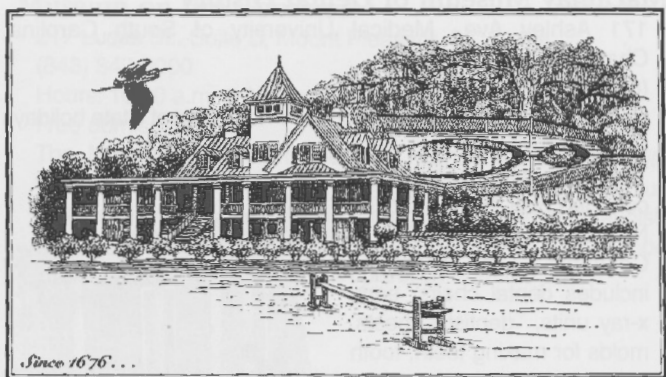
Admission: Powder Magazine \$2.00; Nathaniel Russell House \$7.00; Aiken-Rhett House \$7.00; Combination ticket for Nathaniel Russell and Aiken-Rhett House \$12.00; triple ticket for Nathaniel Russell, Aiken-Rhett and Powder Magazine \$14.00

The Foundation operates three historic sites in Charleston. The Nathaniel Russell House, 51 Meeting Street, is one of America's most important neoclassical dwellings. It interprets the lives of the Russell family and their African-American slaves through the workings of a grand Federal townhouse. Furnished with period antiques and works of art, many of Charleston origin, the house evokes the gracious lifestyle of Charleston's mercantile elite.

The Aiken-Rhett House, 48 Elizabeth Street, is an intact urban plantation that speaks powerfully about the culture of early Charleston and the interconnections among all members of the household. A property that has survived virtually unaltered since 1858, the house offers glimpses of life in the 19th century unavailable anywhere else.

The Powder Magazine, 79 Cumberland Street, is the only public building remaining in North or South Carolina from the period of the Lords Proprietors who originally owned and jointly ruled the province of Carolina. Completed in 1712, the Powder Magazine was critical to the storage of powder for defense of the city and served its purpose into the period of the American Revolution.

Limited accessibility



Magnolia Plantation & Gardens

Route 4, Highway 61, Charleston, SC 29414

(843) 571-1266 or toll-free 1-800-367-3517

Hours: 8:00 a.m.-dark

Admission: adult individual rate is \$10.00 for the basic admission plus an additional \$6.00 for the 30-minute house tour and/or an additional \$5.00 for the 45-minute narrated nature train ride. The basic admission is required in order to obtain house or nature train tickets. The Audubon Swamp Garden, a \$5.00 tour, may be done by itself or with the basic admission.

Located on the banks of the Ashley River this 500-acre estate was acquired in 1676 by the Drayton family. Still owned by heirs, the site features the year-round color of America's oldest continuing garden (circa 1680) and boasts one of the largest collections of azaleas and camellias in the country. Highlights include the pre-Revolutionary War plantation house furnished with early American antiques, a full-sized replica of Henry VIII's horticultural maze, Barbados tropical garden, Biblical Garden, herb garden, topiary garden, orientation theater, wildlife observation tower and refuge, nature train rides, antebellum cabin, canoe and bike rentals, gift shop, gallery of American Nature and Wildlife Artists, snack shop, petting zoo, miniature horse stable, and the 60-acre blackwater cypress and tupelo Audubon Swamp Garden. Special collections on display at the plantation house include Magnolia's commissioned series of original paintings, *The Birds of the Magnolia Plantation Rice Fields*, by the late South Carolina artist, Edward von Seibold Dingle (1897-1975) as well as rare botanical and ornithological books such as *The Natural History of Hummingbirds* (1834) by Sir William Jardine and the 1784 Paris edition of *Stirpes Nova* by L'Heritier, perhaps the rarest horticultural work of the 1700s. Limited edition prints of the Dingle paintings are available in the Plantation's art gallery. Limited accessibility

Macaulay Museum of Dental History

171 Ashley Ave., Medical University of South Carolina,
Charleston, SC 29425

(843) 792-2288

Hours: 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Monday-Friday except State holidays
Free admission

The Museum houses artifacts collected over many years by Neill W. Macaulay, D.D.S. of Columbia. The collection includes dental chairs, early x-ray units, dentists' chests, molds for making teeth, tooth keys, sets of instruments, dental office furniture, dental caricatures, a fee bill, as well as books on dentistry and early records of the S.C. Dental Association.

Not accessible



Middleton Place Foundation

Ashley River Road, Charleston, SC 29414

(843) 556-6020 or 1-800-782-3608

Hours: Middleton Place Gardens and Stable Yards open 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. daily: House open Tuesday-Sunday 10:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Monday 1:30-4:30 p.m.: Edmondston-Alston House open Tuesday-Saturday 10:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Sunday-Monday 1:30-4:30 p.m.

Admission: March-November Adults \$14.00, children \$7.00; May-February adults \$12.00, children \$6.00; House tour \$7.00 year-round.

Middleton Place is a preserved 18th century rice plantation which includes 65 acres of formal gardens, a house museum and a series of 18th, 19th, and 20th century functioning out-buildings. Collections include several historic structures; fine and decorative arts collections and English and American silver as well as American- and English-made furniture. Collections also include important 19th century plant material in addition to agricultural equipment and implements, plus restored freedman's home interprets the African American experience in the LowCountry during Reconstruction.

Limited accessibility

Museum on the Common

217 Lucas St., Suite D, Mount Pleasant, SC 29464

(843) 849-9000

Hours: 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Monday-Saturday

Free admission

The Museum features the exhibit *Hurricane Hugo Revisited* which documents one of the worst storms of the 20th century. Other exhibits which illuminate the rich social and cultural history of the unique S.C. Lowcountry area known as East Cooper, include a prehistoric stone tool collection from the area.

Accessible



Old Exchange & Provost Dungeon

122 East Bay Street, Charleston, SC 29401

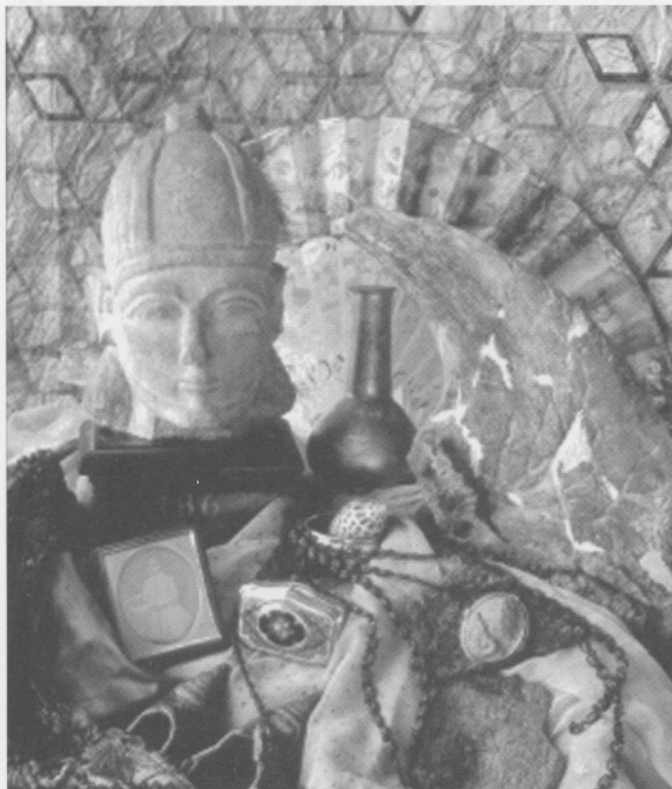
(843) 727-2165

Hours: 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. for public tours and educational programs. After 5:00 p.m. receptions and banquets

Admission: \$6.00 adults; \$3.50 children, discounts available

Guides dressed in Colonial attire present the history of the Old Exchange and the City of Charleston. History lives as ordinary people from the past talk about extra-ordinary events of Old Charles Town through realistic animatronic figures which add an exciting dimension to the historic events from the colorful past of the Old Exchange and Provost Dungeon.

Accessible



The Charleston Museum

360 Meeting Street, Charleston, SC 29401

(843) 722-2996

Hours: 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Monday-Saturday; 1:00-5:00 p.m. Sunday

Admission: \$6.00 adult; \$3.00 child

The Charleston Museum, founded in 1773, is America's first museum. The collections preserve and interpret the social and natural history of Charleston and the South Carolina coastal region. 1998 marks the 225th birthday of the Museum; the celebration includes two special exhibits. *Treasures of the Charleston Museum*, highlighting many unique objects, will be on exhibit January-December, 1998. *Queens and Commoners of the New Kingdom*, an exclusive Egyptian exhibit from the British Museum, will be in Charleston from October 1, 1998-June 30, 1999. The Museum also owns and operates two historic houses. The Heyward-Washington House, circa 1772, was the home of Thomas Heyward, Jr., signer of the Declaration of Independence. It is furnished with magnificent Charleston-made 18th century furniture. The Joseph Manigault House, circa 1803, is one of America's best examples of Adam style architecture. Both house museums are National Historic Landmarks.

Accessible



Patriots Point Naval & Maritime Museum

40 Patriots Point Rd., Mt. Pleasant, SC 29464
(843) 884-2727

Hours: October 1- March 31, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.;

April 1- September 30 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

Admission: adults \$10.00; children \$5.50; children 6 and under free

Home of the famous WWII aircraft carrier *Yorktown*, the Museum also has a destroyer *Laffey*, a submarine *Clanagone*, and a Coast Guard Cutter. Other exhibits include the Congressional Medal of Honor Museum and a Vietnam Support Base. The working and living areas are open to tour along with the 25 vintage aircraft.

Limited accessibility

The Citadel Museum

171 Moultrie St., Charleston, SC 29409
(843) 953-6846

Hours: 2:00-5:00 p.m. Sunday-Friday; 12:00-5:00 p.m. Saturday

The Museum interprets the history of the Citadel, the Military College of South Carolina, from its founding in 1842 to the present. Photographs highlight the exhibits which portray the military, academic, social, and athletic aspects of cadet life.

Accessible

Waring Historical Library

171 Ashley Ave., Medical University of South Carolina,
Charleston, SC 29425

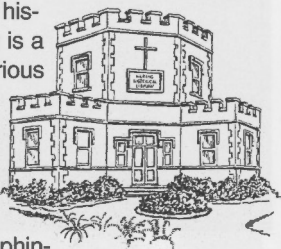
(843) 792-2288

Hours: 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Monday-Friday except State holidays

Free admission

The Waring Historical Library is a combination library, museum and archives of material related to the history of medicine in South Carolina. It is a working research library, and both serious researchers and casual visitors are welcome. The museum collection includes medical chests, anesthesia apparatus, bleeding apparatus, surgery kits, and instruments relating to all the early specialties including trephining and dislodging stones.

Not accessible



COLLETON COUNTY



Colleton Museum

239 N. Jefferies Blvd., Walterboro, SC 29488

(843) 549-2303

Hours: 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Tuesday-Friday

Free admission

Located in the "Old Jail" a neo-gothic structure resembling a castle, the museum features the histories of Colleton county which was established in 1682. A section of the museum is dedicated to natural history and includes a 648-square-foot mural on animals of the Ace Basin.

Accessible

DARLINGTON COUNTY

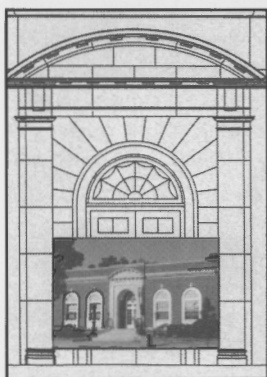
Hartsville Museum

222 N. Fifth St., Hartsville, SC 29550

(803) 383-3005

Hours: 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Monday-Saturday

Free admission



Exhibits are related to the history of Hartsville and the surrounding area. The museum is housed in a restored post office building, built in 1930. The Lawhon History Gallery chronicles the history of Hartsville and Darlington County from the 1700s. The 1899 Locomobile Steam Car designed by the Stanley Brothers was the first car brought to South Carolina. It was the best selling car in America in 1900. Accessible

Kalmia Gardens of Coker College

1624 West Carolina Ave., Hartsville, S.C. 29550

(843) 383-8145

Hours: Daylight everyday

Free admission

Guided by walking trails, visitors explore a blackwater swamp, laurel thickets, pine-oak-holly uplands and a beech bluff. Plantings of azaleas, camellias and other ornamentals enhance the natural beauty created by the variety of native plants found in this 30-acre garden. It is the gateway to the Segals/McKinnon Heritage Preserve, and hosts "Week in the Wild" a K-6 education program in July each year.

Limited accessibility

DORCHESTER COUNTY

Summerville-Dorchester Museum

100 E. Doty Ave., Summerville, SC 29483

(843) 875-9666

Hours: Wednesday-Friday 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., Saturday 2:00-5:00 p.m.

Admission: \$1.00 per person

Exhibits provide the visitor with a historic view of Dorchester County from its earliest settlers to the present day. Also included are prehistoric and natural history rooms, educational programs for youth and adults, and an extensive summer youth program.

Accessible

FAIRFIELD COUNTY

Fairfield County Museum

South Congress St., Winnsboro 29180

(803) 635-1508

Hours: 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., 1:30-4:30 p.m. Monday, Wednesday, & Friday; 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Saturday

Free admission

The Museum is housed in the Federal-styled Cathcart-Ketchin house, built circa 1830. The main floor of the museum is maintained as a historic house. Other floors contain exhibits related to Fairfield County history, including 19th-century quilts and clothing, Native American and military artifacts, and tools and kitchen implements. Not accessible

South Carolina Railroad Museum, Inc.

230 Industrial Park Road, Winnsboro, SC 29180

(803) 796-8540

Hours: 1st & 3rd Saturdays, 9:45 a.m.-3:30 p.m. May-October; additional special events at other times

Admission: Train ride \$4.75 adults; \$2.75 children; exhibits free

The Museum offers demonstration train rides for the public and for school groups. Gallery exhibits on railroad technology and history are under development. Notable Artifacts in the collection are the Hampton & Branchville steam locomotive #44, which has never operated outside of South Carolina, and a private car built for the Vice President of Seaboard Airline Railroad.

Limited accessibility

FLORENCE COUNTY

Florence Museum of Art, Science, and History

558 Spruce St., Florence, SC 29501

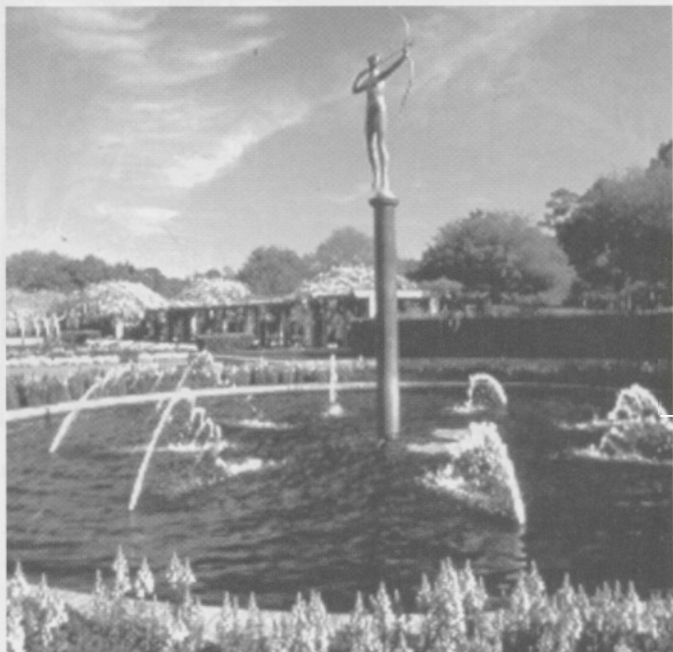
(843) 662-3351

Hours: Tuesday-Saturday 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.; Sunday 2:00-5:00 p.m.

Admission: Donation

The Museum collects and exhibits objects and provides related programming for the Pee Dee area. Housed in the Florence County Public Library until 1953, the museum relocated to its 1939 art deco style building that was built as a private home by the Chase family. It is surrounded by the grounds of Timrod Park. The collections have grown to include a large number of Asian pieces representing almost every Chinese dynasty, items of historic interest to the Pee Dee area, African artifacts, Greek and Roman archeology pieces and American art.

Accessible



Brookgreen Gardens

U.S. Highway 17 South, Murrells Inlet, SC 29576

(843) 237-4218

Hours: 9:30 a.m.-4:45 p.m.; Special evening hours during summer months

Admission: \$7.50 adults, \$3.00 children

Brookgreen Gardens, founded in 1931 by philanthropist, Archer Huntington, and his sculptor wife Anna Hyatt, is one of the World's greatest gardens. Featuring more than 750 works of American sculpture, historic rice fields from 19th and 20th-century plantations, and a six-exhibit Wildlife Park, Brookgreen Gardens offers seasonal programs and events for adults and children alike. *American Masters: Sculpture from Brookgreen Gardens* is Brookgreen's first temporary indoor sculpture exhibit featuring America's foremost sculptors of the last 150 years and their landmark works. The exhibit is scheduled to travel the United States beginning in June of 1998.

Accessible



Kaminski House Museum

1003 Front Street, Georgetown, SC 29440

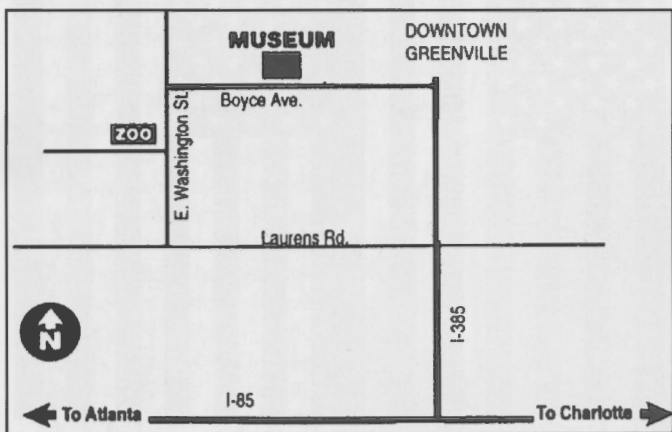
(843) 546-7706

Hours: 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 1:00-4:00 p.m. Sunday; hourly tours

Admission: \$4.00 adults; \$2.00 children 6-12; under 6 free; group rates

The Museum is operated as an historic house museum. The original construction dates to 1769 and a major addition was added in the 1940s. The house contains a fine collection of antiques and decorative arts including: a 1705 English sidechair that has boots for feet, numerous Charleston pieces and two Thomas Elfe pieces. Previous owners include French Huguenots, a Civil War naval captain, and Harold Kaminski (Mayor of Georgetown and participant during the Japanese attack at Pearl Harbor). Beautiful location overlooks Georgetown Harbor and Sampit River.

Not accessible



16th Regiment Confederate History Museum

15 Boyce Ave., Greenville, SC 29611

(864) 421-9039

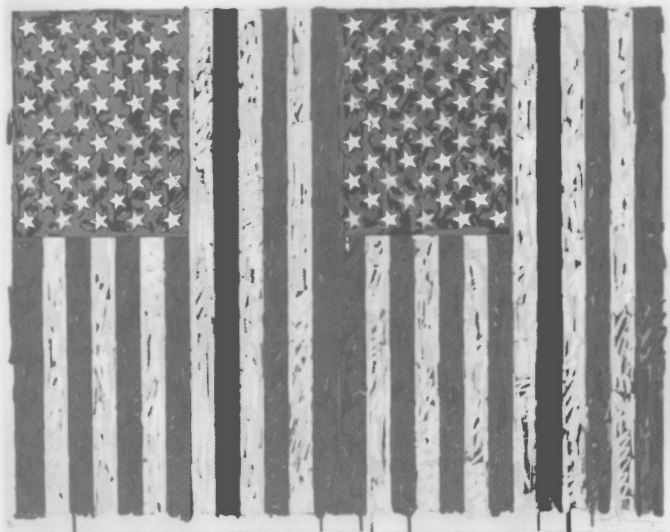
Hours: Friday 5:00-9:00 p.m.,

Saturday 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Sunday 1:00-5:00 p.m.

Admission: Donations

The Museum interprets the Confederate history of the Greenville area, 1830-1880. Exhibits cover the complete war effort with special attention to the regiments from the upstate. Also included are the Vance B. Drawdy Research Library, John W. Garrison letters, Home Front room, and Military weapons from the War Between the States.

Accessible



Greenville County Museum of Art

420 College St., Greenville, SC 29601

(864) 271-7570

Hours: 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday;

1:00-5:00 p.m. Sunday

Free admission

The Museum's collection and exhibitions specialize in American Art with an emphasis on Southern-related art and artists. Its outstanding Southern Collection traces the history of American art from the colonial period to the present, through works of art that relate to the South. From a 1726 pastel by Henrietta Johnston, the first professional woman artist in America, to a recent work by South Carolina's own Jasper Johns, the collection includes an example from every major movement in American art. The Southern Collection is known as one of the finest regional collections in the country, and has brought the Museum national recognition. The Museum also has a growing collection of twentieth-century American Art, including such masters as Georgia O'Keeffe, Hans Hofmann, Josef Albers and Andy Warhol. Selections from the Southern Collection and the Contemporary Collection are always on view, offering something to appeal to everyone's taste. The collections are complemented by 12-15 changing exhibitions each year. Some exhibitions focus on an important artist or period in art history, while others feature the work of the most original contemporary artists. Housed in a modernistic, reinforced-concrete structure built in 1974, the Museum has four floors of exhibition space, an art school, gift shop, and a theater. The Museum had its beginnings in the 1930s as a small gallery in the basement of City Hall, and has grown over the years to be an important cultural force in the region.

Accessible

GREENWOOD COUNTY

Greenwood Museum

106 Main Street, Greenwood, SC 29646

(864) 229-7093

Hours: Wednesday-Saturday 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Admission: \$2.00; Students and Seniors \$1.00

A general museum with collections in natural history, science, technology and the arts, the exhibits document cultural trends from prehistoric to contemporary times. The main floor houses history, natural history, Native American artifacts and Edison exhibits. On the lower level, the Monsanto Exhibition Hall highlights the evolution of textiles, transportation and communications. The upper level features an international collection and the James West Durst Gallery which is host to regional and national artists and periodically features traveling exhibits.

Accessible



HAMPTON COUNTY

Hampton Museum and Visitors' Center

99 Elm St. E., Hampton, SC 29924

(803) 943-5318

Hours: Thursday & Saturday 2:00-5:00 p.m.; 1st Sunday of each month 3:00-5:00 p.m.; other times upon request.

Free admission



The Museum is housed in the 1892 Bank of Hampton building. The original bank vault and safe, with hand-painted doors, still remain. The museum provides exhibits on regional Indian lore and collected artifacts, Hampton County Watermelon Festival historical display (1939-1997), and medical equipment. It also displays a military room, childrens' room, materials related to the atomic submarine, USS Hampton, a beauty shop from the 1930s, communications

exhibit, household and country store items, and special exhibits.
Accessible ground floor only



SOUTH CAROLINA



Franklin G. Burroughs-Simeon B. Chapin Art Museum

3100 South Ocean Blvd., Myrtle Beach, SC 29578
(843) 238-2510

Hours: Tuesday-Saturday 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Sunday 1:00-4:00 p.m.

Admission: Adults \$4.00, Student \$3.00, Children \$2.00

Located in the renovated SpringMaid Villa an original beach home, the state's newest art museum offers several galleries, with exhibits changing every few weeks. The schedule of incoming exhibits is diverse, yet balanced, and promises variety and depth. The Art Museum's permanent collection was built from the Waccamaw Arts and Crafts Guild Purchase Awards, and includes a rich history of work by many renowned area artists. Acquired from 1970-1982, it represents timeless themes in a variety of media and styles. Beyond the galleries is the popular Reception Gallery and Tea Porch and the education wing which provides space for hands-on art experience. Classes for adults and children gear up every few weeks.

Accessible

The Children's Museum of South Carolina

2501 N. Kings Highway, Myrtle Beach, SC 29578

(843) 946-9469

Hours: Tuesday-Saturday 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Admission: \$4.00 per person; under age 3 admitted free



The Museum provides an environment where "learning is fun for everyone." It encourages and stimulates self discovery through interactive learning experiences, exhibits, demonstrations and



activities. Included are exhibits such as *Fairway Physics*, *Anatomy-Inside Out*, *Magic School Bus Journey Through the Solar System*, *Bubble Mania*, *Starlab Planetarium* and many others. Accessible

KERSHAW COUNTY

Camden Archives and Museum

1314 Broad St., Camden, SC 29020

(803) 425-6050

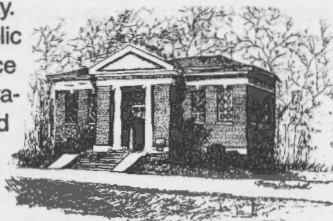
Hours: 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Monday-Friday; 1:00-5:00 p.m. first Sunday of each month

Free admission

Established in 1973, the Archives and Museum, is a department of the City of Camden and is responsible for collecting, storing, processing and displaying items of importance to the heritage of Camden and Kershaw County.

It houses manuscripts, public and private records, reference materials, artifacts and memorabilia, and is recognized throughout South Carolina as having an excellent library for genealogical research.

Accessible



LEE COUNTY

South Carolina Cotton Museum

121 W. Cedar Lane, Bishopville, SC 29010

(803) 484-4497

Hours: 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Monday-Friday

Admission: \$2.00 adults; \$1.50 seniors; \$1.00 students; under 6 free

The Museum interprets the history and culture of cotton in South Carolina. On display are a replica of the first mule powered gin, a spinning jenny, 19th century farm implements, maps and varieties of cotton.

Accessible



Lexington County Museum

231 Fox Street at U.S. 378. Lexington, SC 29071

Phone:(803) 359-8369

Hours:10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday; 1:00- 4:00 p.m. Sunday

Free admission

The Lexington County Museum is a six-acre site containing 15 buildings depicting everyday living conditions in the Colonial and Antebellum periods. Collections include household and farming artifacts pertaining to life in a middle class farm household with log cabins, a two story dwelling, a one room school and various farm outbuildings. An exhibit building features displays of specific aspects of life in the area. Costumed guides conduct tours. Highlights of the collections include a large quilt and handwoven coverlet collection and furniture of the early 19th Century, with special focus upon the German and Lutheran elements in the South Carolina midlands.

Limited accessibility



Cayce Historical Museum

1800 12th Street, Cayce, SC 29171

(803) 796-9020

Hours: 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Tuesday-Friday; 2:00-5:00 p.m. Saturday-Sunday; closed Monday & city holidays

Admission: Adults \$2.00; Seniors & students 13 and older \$1.00; students 12 and under \$.50; free admission on Sundays

The Museum chronicles the history of the earliest settlement in what was then called "the back country", now the Midlands of South Carolina. The first European settlers came here in 1733, 50 years before the city of Columbia was founded. The native American artifacts displayed date back more than 10,000 years. The focal point of the museum is the main building which is a replica of a 1765 trading post.

Limited accessibility

MARION COUNTY

Marion County Museum

101 Willcox Ave, Marion

(843) 423-8299

Hours: Tuesday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., 1:00-5:00 p.m.

Free admission

The Museum is housed in a private academy built in 1886. The school, chartered in 1823, closed in the early 1900s and the school building became the first free-graded school in the district. It closed in 1976 and the museum opened in 1981. Two galleries downstairs house changing art exhibits, while permanent exhibits fill the three second-floor galleries.

Accessible



Mullins Tobacco & Farm Life Museum

104 N.E. Front Street, Mullins, SC 29574

(843) 464-7958

Hours: 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Saturday; 1:00-6:00 p.m. Sunday; 3:00-8:00 p.m. Wednesday; and by appointment

Free admission

Located in a large freight depot, the museum interprets the local production of tobacco and area farm life prior to 1950. The research library features video documentaries. Also located in the depot building is a Farmers Market offering fresh local produce, arts, crafts and demonstrations of traditional farm activities such as milking, soap making and herbal remedies.

Accessible

MARLBORO COUNTY



Marlborough Historical Society

123 S. Marlboro St., Bennettsville, SC 29512

(843) 479-5624

Hours: 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Monday-Friday; and by appointment

Admission: \$1.00 adult; \$.50 child

The Marlborough Historical Society operates the Marlboro County Historical Museum focusing on Marlboro County history through medical, military, textile and overall historic exhibits recently opened in the 1902 Kinney House. It also operates the Marlboro County Archives, opened by appointment, and the 1826 Jennings-Brown House which is furnished with pre-1850 items; and the 1833 Bennettsville Female Academy.

Museum is accessible/Jennings-Brown house is not accessible

ORANGEBURG COUNTY

I.P. Stanback Museum and Planetarium

300 College Street, Northeast, Orangeburg, S.C. 29117
(803) 536-7174

Hours: 9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. daily and every 2nd Sunday 3:00-4:30 p.m.

Admission: Adults \$2.00; Children & Seniors \$1.00



The museum collections feature the arts of tribal Africa representing the diverse sub-Saharan ethnic cultures. In addition, collections of works by African-American printmakers, painters and other artists and artisans of various media are held. An extensive collection of photographic

images documenting the African diaspora and *Harlem on My Mind* exhibition. Works by artists of various nationalities also forms a significant portion of the Museum's holdings.

Accessible

PICKENS COUNTY

Pickens County Museum

307 Johnson Street, Pickens, SC 29671

(864) 898-5963

Hours: Tuesday 8:30 a.m.-8:30 p.m.; Wednesday-Friday 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.; Saturday 12:00-4:00 p.m.

Free admission

Built in 1902 as the County "Gaol", the museum is on the National Register of Historic Places. The first floor galleries house the Pickens County Heritage Collection. A pioneer home, a tribute to the old "Gaol" and the Military collection from pre-Civil War to the 20th Century are included. The second floor galleries are host to changing exhibitions of fine art as well as historical perspectives. The Museums also operate a circa 1845 water-powered grist mill. Located three miles north of Pickens off Highway 178, the Hagood Mill is also on the National Register of Historic Places. The Mill is open to the public the third Saturday of each month and by appointment.

Accessible

RICHLAND COUNTY



Chicora Foundation, Inc.

861 Arbutus Drive, Columbia, SC 29202

(803) 787-6910

Hours: 9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Free admission

The Foundation provides educational programs for schools, libraries, and interested groups

such as scouts groups and historical societies. Its varied programs include such topics as prehistoric pottery motifs, African-American archaeology, three cultures of South Carolina, general archaeology, artifact analysis and preserving your family treasures. Each program is designed to encourage audience participation with the use of artifacts from various sites throughout South Carolina.

Accessible



Columbia Museum of Art

Main & Hampton Streets, Columbia, SC 29201

(803) 799-2810

Hours: 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Tuesday-Friday; 12:30-5:00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday

Admission: \$3.00 adults; \$2.00 students and seniors; free to members and children under 6; free first Saturday of every month beginning July 1998.

The Museum has the most impressive collection of Renaissance and Baroque art in the Southeast. Major changing exhibitions offering a variety of fine and decorative art from the 15th century to the present throughout the year. Public programs, special events, concerts, children's studio classes, lectures, galleries and one of the largest art libraries in the state are available to the public.

Accessible





Historic Columbia Foundation

1601 Richland St., Columbia, SC 29201-2633

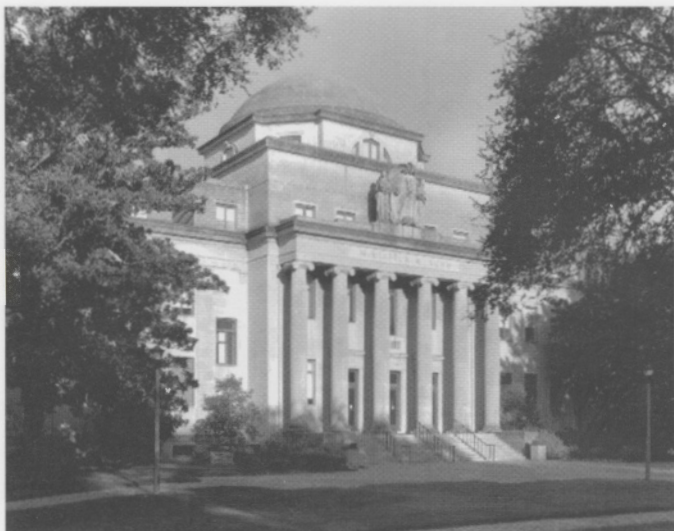
(803) 252-7742

Hours: Tours offered hourly Tuesday-Saturday 10:15 a.m.-3:15 p.m.; Sunday 1:15-4:15 p.m.

Admission: \$3.00 per house or \$10.00 for all four houses

The Foundation supports the Columbia community's structural and cultural heritage in the areas of education, advocacy and preservation. While involved in a broad range of activities, the Foundation primarily serves as an advocate for community preservation. It pursues this goal by maintaining historic collections in historic house museums; offering city tours, historic information, special programs, and rental space in historic properties; and networking with other preservation organizations and individuals around the state of South Carolina. The historic house museums include the Robert Mills House, the Hampton-Preston Mansion, the Mann-Simons Cottage, and the Woodrow Wilson Boyhood Home. The Foundation's collecting activities focus on 19th century decorative arts which are exhibited in period rooms in each of the historic house museums. Pieces of note are Hampton and Preston family furniture and silver, the bed of Woodrow Wilson, 28th president of the United States, was born in and other Woodrow Wilson family furniture. The Foundation sponsors programs throughout the year that celebrate South Carolina heritage such as *Jubilee* and *Juneteenth* celebrating African American heritage in Columbia, and *Oktoberfest*, celebrating the area's German heritage. Lectures and seminars explore historic topics on food, gardening, storytelling, Christmas decorating and others.

Not accessible



McKissick Museum

The Horseshoe, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC 29208
(803) 777-7251

Hours: 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Monday-Friday; 1:00-5:00 p.m.
Saturday-Sunday

Free admission

The museum, located in the historic part of the University of South Carolina campus in the center of downtown Columbia, focuses on the rich history, art, folklife and natural environment of the Southeast. The stately WPA building contains two floors of galleries featuring temporary exhibits devoted to exploring how regional cultural traditions evolved and have influenced the contemporary South. Permanent displays include a history of the University and the Bernard Baruch Silver Collection as well as gems and minerals. A Folklife Resource Center is also open to researchers on request. Educational programs include lectures, concerts, craft demonstrations, teacher training workshops and a graduate level certificate program in museum management.

Accessible

South Carolina Archives and History Center

8301 Parklane Road, Columbia, SC 29223

(803) 896-6100

Hours: Tuesday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.;

Saturday 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.; Sunday 1:00-6:00 p.m.

Free admission

Opened on May 23, 1998, The History Center is the home of the South Carolina Archives and contains more than 330 years of

the state's historical records. The

History Center provides public access to the archives for historical research and study. Exhibits

at the History Center focus on South Carolina history and the state's documentary heritage.

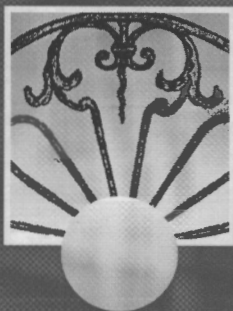
The Grand Opening exhibit, The Union is Dissolved, examines the

Ordinance of Secession as well as documents, artifacts and events related to its signing.

Educational programs including tours, periodic workshops, seminars and conferences are available for a broad age range.

Rental facilities including auditorium, classrooms, kitchen and garden are available for public use.

Accessible



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HISTORY & HERITAGE
For All Generations

South Carolina Institute of Archaeology & Anthropology

1321 Pendleton Street, Columbia, SC 29208

(803) 777-8170

Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Free admission

The Institute is a research arm of the University of South Carolina which oversees the curation of the state's archaeological collections and provides a 20,000-volume archaeological research library that is open to the public.

Limited accessibility

OFFICIAL STATE HOLIDAYS

New Year's Day

President's Day

Memorial Day

Independence Day

Labor Day

Election Day

Veteran's Day

Thanksgiving Day

Day After Thanksgiving

Christmas Day

Day After Christmas

***NOTE: Many of our Museums are open on these holidays. Please check individual listings for schedule.**



South Carolina State Museum

301 Gervais St., Columbia, S.C. 29201

(803) 898-4921 or (803) 898-4978 on weekends.

Hours: 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday - Saturday; 1-5 p.m. Sunday.

Closed Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Admission: Adults, \$4; Seniors 62+ and college, \$3; Students 6-17, \$1.50. Under 6, free.

With relics from Revolutionary times to artifacts used by astronauts on the moon — the S.C. State Museum showcases outstanding exhibits of South Carolina art, history, natural history and science and technology. Experience “South Carolina Under One Roof!” when you visit this 203,000 square-foot museum housed in the world’s first totally electric textile mill, the 1894 Columbia Mills building on the scenic Congaree River. Discover permanent exhibits on unique South Carolina pottery traditions and African-American Gullah culture. Visit the local country store or study a lesson in the reconstructed 19th-century one-room school. Imagine marching with Civil War soldiers while viewing guns and swords. Take a break and watch *Our Gang* 1930s movie clips and vintage TV commercials in the communications gallery. Marvel at our amazing glyptodont (what’s that?), and explore South Carolina’s natural wonders through re-created environments. Did you know a South Carolinian invented the laser? Make yourself smarter with hands-on activities in the science gallery. From Colonial-era paintings to modern sculpture, the State Museum offers a complete palette of changing art exhibits highlighting some of the finest art in the South. See a Clemson plane, a Charleston train and a Rock Hill Anderson automobile.

For a real South Carolina adventure, visit the State Museum—four floors of fun in a historic building. Add great shopping in one of the largest high-quality museum stores in the country and you’ve got an unforgettable experience.

SPARTANBURG COUNTY

Regional Museum of Spartanburg County

501 Otis Boulevard, Spartanburg, SC 29301

(864) 596-3501

Hours: 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., 3:00-5:00 p.m.

Tuesday-Saturday; 2:00-5:00 p.m. Sunday

Admission: \$1 Adults; \$.50 children; under 12 Free

The Museum interprets the history of Spartanburg County. Exhibits include the Revolutionary War battle sites in Spartanburg County, Camp Wadsworth and World War I soldiers from the area, photographs of early Spartanburg and antique dolls. Several temporary exhibits are mounted each year.

Accessible



Price House

1200 Oakview Farms Road, Woodruff, SC 29388

(864) 596-3501

Hours: 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Saturday April 1-October 31; 2:00-5:00 p.m. Sunday year-round; open for 10 or more by scheduled appointment

Admission: \$3.50 adult; \$1.50 child

Built in 1795, the Price House has examples of Northern architecture including its steep gambrel roof, inside end chimneys, and Flemish bond brick pattern. Interpretation of the fully furnished plantation house includes the life of Thomas Price who also operated the post office, a general store, and a stage coach stop on his 2,000 acre plantation.

Not accessible



Walnut Grove Plantation

1200 Ott's Shoal Road, Roebuck, SC 29376

Phone: (864) 576-6546

Hours: 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday April 1-October 31; 2:00-5:00 p.m. Sunday year-round; open for 10 or more in group as scheduled

Admission: \$4.50 Adults; \$2 children

This fully furnished 1765 upstate plantation includes the original manor house, kitchen, Rocky Springs Academy, doctor's office, blacksmith shop, cooling-cellar, wheat house, smoke house and barn.

Not accessible



SUMTER COUNTY



Sumter County Museum

122 N. Washington St., Sumter, SC 29150

(803) 775-0908

Hours: Museum 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Tuesday-Saturday; 2:00-5:00 p.m. Sunday; Research Center is open Tuesday-Saturday 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. and 2:00-5:00 p.m.

Admission: no charge for museum, \$5.00 a day research fee for non-members

Facilities of the Sumter County Museum are the Williams-Brice House, circa 1916, containing long-term and changing exhibits focusing on local culture and history with significant collections include clothing and textiles, household goods and furnishings, dolls and toys, and farm equipment. The Genealogical and Historical Research Center, circa 1917, jointly operated with the local genealogical society, offers research in genealogy and local history with collections of archival documents, newspapers, photographs and a research library. The Carolina Backcountry Homestead, a historic park, includes structures from the period of settlement, 1750-1850, and offers events such as the semi-annual Backcountry Homestead Day and living history demonstrations.

Accessible

Sumter Gallery of Art

421 North Main St., Sumter, SC 29150

(803) 775-0543

Hours: 12:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. Tuesday-Friday;
2:00-5:00 p.m. Saturday-Sunday

Free admission

Located in the Elizabeth White House which is on the National Register of Historic Places, the permanent collection features works by Elizabeth White. Also included are works by South Carolina artists for blind and visually impaired audiences. Changing exhibits occur every five to six weeks and include: South Carolina Watercolor Society Annual Exhibition, Sumter Artists Guild Juried Exhibit, Sumter Artists Guild Winners Exhibit and Oil Painter's Open Invitational, as well as exhibits of local, regional and national art/artists.

Accessible



Historic Brattonsville

1444 Brattonsville Rd., McConnells, SC 29726
(803) 684-2327

Hours: 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday; 2:00-5:00 p.m. Sunday; (Open to the public from the first Sunday in March through the last Saturday in November)

Admission: \$5 adults, \$2 students

Listed as a National Register District, Historic Brattonsville began restoration in 1971. It has flourished to become one of the largest restorations and living history sites in the Southeast. Historic Brattonsville offers the unique experience of a chronological progression crossing two centuries - prior to the American Revolution through the antebellum period. With more than 26 structures open to the public, restoration continues on other interpretative buildings. In addition to splendid southern architecture, Brattonsville is preserving rare breeds of farm animals common on backcountry farms during the mid-19th century. Its award winning Heritage Farm Program includes historic breeds of livestock and heritage seed varieties of cotton and corn. Special backcountry living history programs are held the second and fourth Saturday of each month during the regular tour season. On these weekends, living history interpreters demonstrate agricultural and historic domestic skills and present dramatic scenarios, including the African-American experience. The combination of farm animals, buildings with documented period furnishings, and an original rural setting makes Historic Brattonsville well worth a visit.

Accessible



Museum of York County

4621 Mount Gallant Road, Rock Hill, SC 29732

(803) 329-2121

Hours: 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Monday-Saturday; 1:00-5:00 Sunday

Admission: \$4.00 Adults, \$3.00 Children, seniors, students

From exhibitions of African animals and Piedmont wildlife to works by nationally known illustrator Vernon Grant and regional artists, the Museum offers visitors a varied and eclectic experience. In the Stans African Halls visitors will find one of the finest and most complete exhibitions of African mounted mammals shown in lifelike dioramas depicting their natural habitat. African ethnographic materials, such as masks, tools, jewelry and musical instruments, enhance the exhibitions.

Accessible

- Museum Store
- Planetarium
- Nature Trail





Catawba Cultural Preservation Project

1536 Tom Steven Road, Rock Hill, SC 29730

(803) 328-2427

Hours: Monday-Saturday 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Free admission

The Catawba Cultural Preservation Project has designed an innovative selection of programs and experiences for students aged 5-15+. Students are offered an opportunity to share first hand various aspects of the Native American way of life.

Accessible

Rock Hill Telephone Company Museum

117 Elk Avenue, Rock Hill, SC 29730

(803) 824-4030

Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Free admission

The Museum offers the visitor a hands-on tour through 100 years of providing communications to the area's residential and business customers.

Accessible

STATE HISTORIC SITES

Keowee-Toxaway State Park Interpretive Center

108 Residence Dr., Sunset, SC 29685

(864) 868-2605

Hours: Memorial Day-Labor Day, Monday and Tuesday 11:00 a.m.-noon and 4:00-5:00 p.m.; Wednesday-Sunday 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Day after Labor Day to the day before Memorial Day, daily 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and 4:00-5:00 p.m.; or by appointment

Free admission

The history and culture of the Cherokee Indians and the story of their relationship with European settlers of South Carolina are depicted in the Interpretive Center and in four outdoor exhibit kiosks.

Limited accessibility

Hunting Island State Park Lighthouse Complex

2555 Sea Island Pkwy., Hunting Island, SC 29920

(843) 838-2011

Hours: 6:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. April-September; 6:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. October-March

Admission: \$3.00 per car

Located midway between Charleston and Savannah on what is now Hunting Island State Park is an 1875 lighthouse and three remaining original structures of the lighthouse complex. These structures replaced the original 1859 brick lighthouse that was built on the island to guide vessels along the coast. Because beach erosion destroyed the first lighthouse, the United States Coast Guard built the present lighthouse



approximately one-fourth of a mile from the shoreline. This historic complex includes a three-storied light-keeper's dwelling, a fireproof oil-house and several other storage buildings.

Limited accessibility

Santee Indian Mound/Fort Watson

Santee State Park, 251 State Park Rd., Santee, SC 29142

(803) 854-2408

Hours: 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m., (Hours are extended to 10:00 p.m. during peak season)

Free admission

Santee Indian Mound/Fort Watson (Adjacent to the Santee National Wildlife Refuge on U.S. Highways 301 & 15) This pre-historic ceremonial Indian mound was the site of a Revolutionary War battle in 1781 during which General Francis Marion attacked and captured a British fortification, its garrison, supplies and ammunition. Limited accessibility

Charles Towne Landing - 1670

1500 Old Town Road, Charleston, SC 29407

(843) 852-4200

Hours: Daily 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. (6:00 p.m. in summer)

Admission: adults \$5.00; senior citizens \$2.50; students(6-14) \$2.50; children (5-under) free

Charles Towne Landing 1670 - where 300 years ago colonists established the first permanent English settlement in South Carolina. Today that first settlement is a state owned nature preserve and permanent historic site that provides a natural setting for family outings and brings to life the experiences of those first settlers. A visit to Charles Towne Landing interprets the first years of the colony with hands-on activities. The full-scale replica of the 17th century trading vessel, *Adventure*, emphasizes the important role the sea and trade played in the development of the colony. Near the ship's wharf, the settlement's original fortified town is preserved for future archaeological exploration. Replica colonial buildings in the *Settlers' Life* Area permit visitors to experience the colonists daily life. Animals the settlers would have seen including wolves, puma, bears and bison roam in the *Animal Forest*, the 20-acre natural habitat zoo.

Accessible

Historic Atalaya at Huntington Beach State Park

U.S. Highway 17 South, Murrells Inlet, SC 29576

(843) 237-4440

Hours: Park open 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. daily

Admission: adults \$4:00; children \$2:00

Atalaya, located within the park, is the former winter home of philanthropist Archer M. Huntington and his wife Anna Hyatt Huntington, the famous American sculptress whose work is seen daily in Brookgreen Gardens. The home is reminiscent of the towers along the Spanish Mediterranean coast. Atalaya, with its many rooms and spacious courtyard, is the site of a nationally acclaimed juried arts and crafts festival each September.

Accessible

Table Rock State Park

246 Table Rock State Park Road, Pickens, SC 29671

(864) 878-9813

Hours: Seven days/week Daylight Savings Time (spring to fall) 7:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.; Standard Time (late fall to early spring) 7:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.

Free admission

The interpretive Center houses wall displays and natural items pertaining to the local flora and fauna including some live specimens used for educational programs during the summer months. Table Rock State Park was developed by the Civilian Conservation Corps, a New Deal program created by President Franklin D. Roosevelt. The CCC used stylized rustic designs and local building materials at the park. The range of their work can be seen around the park, in the lodge, the bathhouse, two picnic shelters, the lake spillway and dozens of other log and stone structures. Table Rock State Park is on the National Register of Historic Places.

Accessible



CCC Buildings at Paris Mountain State Park

2401 State Park Road, Greenville, SC 29609

(864) 244-5565

Hours: April-October, (daily) 9:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. November-March, Saturday-Thursday 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.; and Friday 9:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.

Free admission

The mountain was named after Richard Pearis, the first white settler in the region. He was sent to the area to stimulate trade with the Cherokees. Well received by the Indians, Pearis married, started a family and acquired a tract of land that included what is today Paris Mountain. His land was confiscated by the State during the Revolutionary War because he sided with the British. In April 1935, the city of Greenville donated 1,275 acres to the state for Paris Mountain State Park. When the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) Camp at Cleveland was closed, a new camp was established at Paris Mountain, the beginnings of today's State Park. Development work started in 1936 and the park opened to the public in 1937. The CCC Camp at Paris Mountain closed in 1940.

Limited accessibility

Landsford Canal State Park

Route 1, Box 423, Catawba, SC 29704

(803) 789-5800

Hours: 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Thursday-Monday

Free admission

The State Park protects and preserves 222 acres along the wooded banks of the Catawba River. It exhibits a river valley hardwood forest, the preserved remnants of South Carolina's 1820 Landsford Canal, the largest population of Rocky Shoals spider lillies, and South Carolina's only remaining Lockkeeper's house which holds displays on local, natural and cultural history. Landsford Canal, the best preserved of numerous 19th-century South Carolina river canals, has all its major structural features intact. The uppermost of four canals constructed on the Catawba-Wateree river system during the period 1820-1835, the canal enabled boats to bypass the rapids while carrying goods to and from the coast.

Accessible

Old Dorchester State Historic Site

300 State Park Road, Summerville, SC 29485-4831

(843) 873-1740

Hours: Thursday-Monday 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

Free admission

The park is the site of a Colonial village founded in 1697 by a

group from Dorchester, Massachusetts, representing the Congregational Church. Because of its location at the head of navigation on the Ashley River and its close proximity to the Indian trade paths, Dorchester prospered as a trade and distribution center for



the frontier. During the Revolutionary war, the town was under British occupation, and by the close of the war it was slowly decaying. Attractions at this 325-acre park include the site of the circa 1757 tabby fort, the tower of St. George's Parish Church and a small outdoor kiosk on the history of Dorchester and the upper Ashley River area.

Limited accessibility

Oconee Station State Historic Site

500 Oconee Station Road, Walhalla, SC 29691

(864) 638-0079

Hours: March-December, Thursday-Sunday 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

The park is closed January & February

Free admission

This 210-acre park on Oconee Creek in the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains, contains two historic structures: a stone blockhouse (fort) known as Oconee Station and a two-storied brick residence known as the William Richards House. The blockhouse was constructed circa 1792 as one of a chain of such buildings established during a period of tension between white settlers and the Native Americans.

With the troop removal in 1799, Oconee Station was the last blockhouse to be decommissioned in the state. Built in 1805 by William Richards, the brick house at Oconee Station was a successful trading



post until the death of Richards. With the western movement of the frontier, Oconee Station's importance began to decline and throughout the late 19th and early 20th centuries, it served as a family home and farm.

Limited accessibility

Hampton Plantation State Historic Site

1950 Rutledge Rd., McClellanville, SC 29458

(843) 546-9361

Hours: Thursday-Monday 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

Admission charged for tours of the Mansion

One of the finest examples of Colonial architecture is represented in the restored mansion at Hampton Plantation. Adjacent to the Santee River, this 322-acre property was once the centerpiece of a coastal rice plantation. The mansion last served as the home of Archibald Rutledge, noted writer and South Carolina poet laureate. For more than 250 years its halls have welcomed famous patriots, soldiers and politicians including George Washington, Lafayette, and Francis Marion. Its interior, purposely left unfurnished, highlights the structure's architectural and construction details, while the grounds provide opportunities to examine the wildlife of the Carolina Lowcountry.

Limited accessibility

Rivers Bridge State Park

Route 1, Ehrhardt, SC 29081

(803) 267-3675

Hours: Daily April-August 9:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m., September-October open Thursday-Monday 9:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m., November-March open Thursday-Monday 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

Free admission

In the waning days of the Civil War, General William Tecumseh Sherman's Union troops clashed with Confederate soldiers defending the Salkehatchie River at a place called Rivers Bridge. Vastly outnumbered, the Southerners held the crossing for two days before being forced out of their breastworks. The Battle of Rivers Bridge fought February 2-3, 1865, was the only major resistance encountered by Sherman's army on its historic march through South Carolina. The breastworks remain today as a stark, silent monument to the battle. In 1876 the Confederates killed at Rivers Bridge were reburied in a common grave near the battlefield, beginning a continuing community tradition of memorializing the battle. Rivers Bridge, the only state park that commemorates the Civil War, offers periodic educational programs and encampments depicting the battle and interpreting military life during the Civil War.

Limited accessibility

Rose Hill Plantation State Historic Site

2677 Sardis Road, Union, SC 29379

(864) 427-5966

Hours: Park 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Mansion 1:00-4:00 p.m.

Admission: \$2:00 adults; \$1:00 students 6-18; children under 6 free

Rose Hill Plantation is the home of South Carolina "Secession" Governor, William Henry Gist. Completed in 1832, the mansion was the center point of an 8000-acre cotton plantation. Gist served as governor from 1858 to 1860 and influenced the writing of the Ordinance of Secession. The park interprets the life of Governor Gist, his political beliefs and the history of the mansion. Exhibits feature furnishings and decorations which show the types of items the Gist family owned while residing at Rose Hill.

Not accessible



Redcliffe Plantation State Historic Site

181 Redcliffe Rd., Beech Island, SC 29841

(803) 827-1473

Hours: Thursday-Monday 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m., Closed Tuesday and Wednesday

Admission: \$2:00 adults, \$1:00 students

Located on the banks of the Savannah River, Redcliffe was constructed in 1859 by South Carolina Governor James H. Hammond. The two-storied antebellum plantation was continually owned and occupied by four generations of the colorful Hammond family. John Shaw Billings, a former managing editor of Time and Life magazines



and a Hammond descendent, donated the plantation to the state in 1973. The focal point of the 350-acre State Park, today the house retains many of its original furnishings and works of art. Listed on the National Register of Historic Places,

the plantation house has become a popular site for group functions and weddings.

Not accessible

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